

attend to the situation in which we are placed with regard to each other, that we should make it our care to display those habits which indicate not only intellectual ability, but also moral worth ; and that in an especial manner, we should attend to the influence of those principles which are founded in sentiments of benevolence and good will to our fellow men.

Before I conclude, allow me, my brethren, to recommend to you, this serious consideration ; whence have we derived our being, and all those benefits which constitute the happiness of rational and intelligent creatures ? Often think of the place which you fill in the creation of Almighty God ; when he rendered you capable of becoming acquainted with his perfections, and when he enabled you to perceive and observe ; the order and beauty and harmony which he has established in his works. Consider the gratitude that you ought to feel, think on the humility with which you should be impressed : Reflect on the obligations under which you are placed to act as it becomes those who have been so highly favoured. Let it be your care to ascertain the nature of those principles by which you are really actuated ; and also whether the sentiments of benevolence and good-will are in

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